

**PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT COMMITTEE  
INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH  
402 WEST WASHINGTON STREET  
Room W072  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204**

**MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2010**

Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-27.5-3-5

Members Present: Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman  
James Chapman, P.A., Secretary  
Joe B. Fox, M.D.  
Gregg Munson, P.A.

Staff Present: Kristen Kelley, Board Director  
Professional Licensing Agency  
Donna Moran, Litigation Specialist  
Professional Licensing Agency  
Phil Thompson, Deputy Attorney General  
Office of the Attorney General

The Committee voted to adopt the agenda.

Participating Committee Members: Joe B. Fox, M.D., James Chapman, P.A., Steven Jacobs, P.A., Gregg Munson, P.A.

Fox/Munson, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

The Committee voted to adopt the unofficial minutes from December 10, 2009 meeting as written.

Participating Committee Members: Joe B. Fox, M.D., James Chapman, P.A., Steven Jacobs, P.A., Gregg Munson, P.A.

Munson/Fox, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

## **PROBATIONARY APPEARANCE**

### **Maria Carson, P.A., License No. 10000559A, Cause No. 2009 PAC 0001**

Ms. Carson appeared before the Committee for her bi-annual personal appearance.

Participating Committee Members: Joe B. Fox, M.D., James Chapman, P.A., Steven Jacobs, P.A., Gregg Munson, P.A.

Ms. Carson was unable to attend her probationary appearance scheduled on December 10, 2009 due to a recent surgery. Her recovery went well and she was able to return to work in February. She indicated that she only used the pain medication given to her while in the Hospital.

She continues to take Zoloft for her depression. Ms. Carson continues to attend her NA/AA meetings and aftercare meetings. She is compliant with her terms of probation.

Ms. Carson requested the Committee's permission to work as an independent contractor performing approximately 20 to 25 DOT physicals per week for an indefinite period of time. Dr. Pierce is her current supervision physician and has agreed to allow her to function in this capacity.

Her question to the Board is can she do this without a new supervising physician's agreement with Dr. Pierce. Steve Jacobs, P.A., Chairman indicated that a new agreement is not needed, however Ms. Carson should keep a log of the DOT physicals she has performed and have Dr. Pierce review and sign off on them for her protection, should any questions arise.

After discussion the Board moved to APPROVE Ms. Carson's request.

Jacobs/Fox, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

## **DISCUSSION**

### **In the Matter of the License of Eric L. Frazier, P.A., License No. 10000580A:**

Eric Frazier, P.A. did appear in person and was represented by counsel Stacy Cook regarding this ALJ recommendation scheduled before the Board.

The Professional Licensing Staff changed Mr. Frazier's status from active to inactive based upon a 2007 law that requires a non-practicing physician assistant to notify the Committee when he does not have a supervising physician, at which time his license was to be placed on inactive status. Mr. Frazier's previous employer had notified staff that he was no longer supervising Mr. Frazier. Staff then changed the status of Mr. Frazier's license from active to inactive.

Mr. Frazier at this time was relying on his new employer's staff to complete and send in the appropriate change and addition application so that he would have his new supervising physician on record. Unbeknownst to Mr. Frazier, his employer did not send in the appropriate paper work.

The information regarding this matter was heard in detail by Steve Jacobs, P.A., Chairman, acting as an Administrative Law Judge. Mr. Jacobs ALJ recommendation is as follows:

He recommends that the Committee vote to instruct staff to correct their records to show that Mr. Frazier's license was "Active" during the time in question (time staff changed to inactive). Mr. Frazier completed the necessary paperwork to notify the Committee of his new employment and change in supervision and relied in good faith on his new employer's commitment to file the materials with the Committee, I recommend that the Committee not refer this matter to the Attorney General's Consumer Complaint Division.

A recommended change was made to the ALJ recommendation by Staff Counsel for it to state that no order will come from this as it will just be reflected in the minutes.

After reviewing and discussing the ALJ recommendation the Committee moved to the ALJ recommendation with changes.

Chapman/Fox, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

**PA Prescribing dose of Oxycodone:** Steve Jacobs, P.A., Chairman, inquired of Phil Thompson, Deputy Attorney General, Committee's Counsel if a Physician Assistant can prescribe one (1) dose of Oxycodone in a one-time hospital post-op setting per IC 25-27.5-5-4. The committee questioned whether a drug order and prescription are the same and would both fall into the context of that law. If writing a prescription for Oxycodone, the PA would need to apply for Schedule IIs on their CSR & DEA.

This clause is for emergency situations only when a MD is not available.

The committee suggested that we look into writing rules to define more clearly and have a representative from the Medical Licensing Board to participate on the committee.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**2010 Election of Officers** – The following were presented as nominations:

- Steven Jacobs, P.A. for Chairman
- James Chapman, P.A. for Secretary

The Committee moved to affirm the nomination of Steven Jacobs, P.A. as the Chairman.

Chapman/Fox, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

The Committee further moved to affirm the nomination of James Chapman, P.A. as the Secretary.

Jacobs/Fox, 4/0/0  
Motion carries

Dr. Fox informed the Committee and Staff that he will be leaving May 15, 2010 for Iraq and is expected to return in September 2010.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

The following hearing was continued:

**Courtney Anne Keller, P.A., License No. 10000776A, Cause No. 2010 PAC 0001**

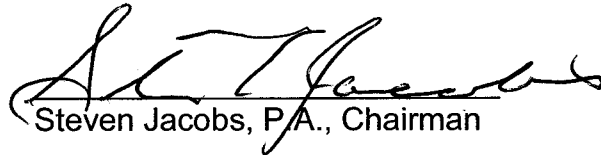
### **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS**

The Committee reviewed and approved applications for initial licensure, prescriptive authority and change and additions, Jacobs/Chapman, 4/0/0

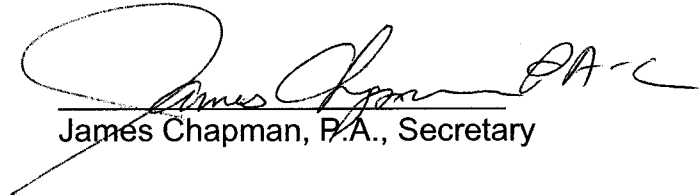
Amy Alrich, Initial app  
Kwame Appenteng, Initial app (pending document)  
Drew Apple, Prescriptive agreement only  
Tamara Blank, Change/Addition app  
Amy Boesch, Change/Addition app  
Jared Brock, Change/Addition app  
Carolyn Engle, Initial app  
Laurel Fauquher, Change/Addition app  
Abdul Jaboori, Change/Addition app  
Stephanie Januszki, Initial App  
Douglas Kesler, Initial app  
Jason Kuhnle – Initial app (pending changes)  
Connie Lubbehusen, Change/Addition app  
Silas McGhee, Change/Addition app  
Jason Montgomery, Change/Addition app  
Todd Nisley, Change/Addition app  
Katherine Ortiz, Initial app/Prescriptive Authority app  
H. Pamela Pilcher, Change/Addition app

Rita Raih, Change/Addition app  
Michael Roscoe, Change/Addition app  
Marcy Showalter, Change/Addition app  
Natasha Steward, Change/Addition app/Prescriptive Authority app  
Heather Stultz, Change/Addition app  
Duy Tran, Initial app

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.



Steven Jacobs, P.A., Chairman



James Chapman, P.A., Secretary